

SUMMARY

City of Carrollton Mayor and Council Meeting

October 6, 2008

6:00 p.m.

Public Safety Complex, Court/Council Chambers, 115 West Center Street, Carrollton, Georgia

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor and City Council met in regular session on Monday, October 6, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. in the Public Safety Annex Building, 115 West Center Street, Carrollton, Georgia. Mayor Garner called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Members present: Councilmember Peter Balega, Councilmember Gerald Byrd, Councilmember Rusty Gray and Councilmember Mandy Maierhofer.

At this time, Councilmember Balega asked for a motion to amend the Agenda to include discussion of City construction projects. Motion failed due to lack of a second.

At this time, Mayor Garner announced that Agenda item # 10 had been withdrawn pending further investigation pertaining to wetlands of the property involved.

II. INVOCATION

Councilmember Byrd offered the invocation.

III. CITIZEN COMMENTS

Ms. Annie Boykin of 149 Carter Street reported break-ins at her residence. CM Coleman advised that he would look into the matter.

Ms. Brenda Anderson complained about a Laundromat located at 300 Newnan Road. Mayor Garner advised that Codes Enforcement Officer Frank Cooley would look into the matter.

IV. MINUTES (August 27, 2008)

Motion by Councilmember Gray, seconded by Councilmember Byrd to approve the Minutes of the August 27, 2008 meeting of the Mayor and Council. Motion passed (5 – 0).

V. ITEMS OF DISCUSSION

1. Proclamation – “Emergency Nurses Week”

The Mayor and Council proclaimed October 5 – 11, 2008 as “Emergency Nurses Week” and presented the proclamation to Tanner Medical Center staff.

2. Georgia Association of Water Professionals (GAWP) Gold Awards Water and Wastewater Treatment Plants

ACM Tim Grizzard advised the Mayor and Council that the City’s Water and Wastewater Plants are recipients of the Georgia Association of Water Professionals (GAWP) Gold Award for excellence in operation. ACM Grizzard introduced Mr. Jack Dozier, Executive Director of the Georgia Association of Water Professionals (GAWP). Mr. Dozier explained that the Gold Awards are presented to systems that maintain 100% compliance with all MCL standards and at that time, he presented the awards to Mr. Don North, Water Treatment Plant Superintendent and to Mr. Tony Richardson, Wastewater Treatment Plant Superintendent.

3. Rezoning Amendment: Planned Development and Special Exception to allow for a 164-Unit Apartment Development Property Location: 1001 Lovvorn Road Petitioner: Henry Morton on behalf of Campus Suites, LLC.

PZA Griffin announced that at the request of the petitioner, this Agenda item was withdrawn.

**4. Rezoning Amendment: O & I Planned Development
to allow for non-climate controlled storage buildings
Property Location: Hays Mill Road and Cottage Hill Road
Petitioner: John Paulk**

Mayor Garner explained the procedures for the public hearing.

A public hearing was held to receive citizen input on a request from petitioner John Paulk for a rezoning amendment for an O & I Planned Development to allow for four (4) non-climate controlled storage buildings for property located at Hays Mill Road and Cottage Hill Road. PZA Griffin reported that the Planning Commission had recommended approval of the request of the PD (Planned Development) Zoning Amendment to allow for a secondary phase development of four (4) non-climate controlled self-storage units with the following conditions:

- 1. Owner/developer shall install screening materials, such as an opaque fence, landscaping, or a combination thereof along Hays Mill and Cottage Hill Roads for the purpose of providing a visual shield between the proposed storage buildings and nearby residences/pass-by vehicular traffic.**
- 2. Owner/developer shall utilize façade materials for the proposed structures that are consistent with the existing onsite buildings.**

At this time, Mayor Garner opened the public hearing to receive citizen input. Those speaking in favor: Mr. John Paulk. Those speaking opposed: None

Motion by Councilmember Maierhofer, seconded by Councilmember Gray to approve rezoning amendment for an O & I Planned Development to allow for four (4) non-climate controlled storage buildings for property located at Hays Mill Road and Cottage Hill Road with the conditions as recommended by staff. Motion passed (5-0).

5. Service Delivery Agreement

CM Coleman requested that the Mayor and Council consider extending the existing Service Delivery Agreement until such time as it can be completed.

Motion by Councilmember Balega, seconded by Councilmember Gray to extend Service Delivery Agreement. Motion passed (5 – 0).

6. Resolution 18-2008 – Comprehensive Plan (“Community Agenda”) Adoption

PZA Griffin presented to the Mayor and Council for their consideration Resolution 18-2008 which is required for adoption of the City’s Community Agenda which, by way of approval, will include the update to the City’s Comprehensive Plan.

Motion by Councilmember Gray, seconded by Councilmember Byrd to adopt Resolution 18-2008 to adopt the 2008 update to the Carrollton Comprehensive Plan “Community Agenda”. Motion passed (5 – 0).

7. Red Flag Regulations

ACM Grizzard advised the Mayor and Council that due to the increase in electronic identity fraud, the Federal Trade commission has adopted regulations requiring that utility systems adopt rules and policies that help identify and prevent identity fraud. In addition, ACM Grizzard noted that the regulations must be in place by November 1, 2008.

Motion by Councilmember Maierhofer, seconded by Councilmember Gray to authorize City staff to develop and implement rules and policies that will bring the City’s utility system in compliance with the new Red Flag Regulation requirements. Motion passed (5 – 0).

8. Resolution – Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant (LWCF)

PZA Griffin presented to the Mayor and Council for their consideration Resolution 17-2008 which authorizes matching funds for the Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant (LWCF). PZA Griffin advised that this is a state grant between the Georgia Department of Natural Resources and the Mayor and Council of the City of Carrollton for financial assistance and authorizes the City Manager to execute the contract on behalf of the City and accept the grant provided for in the contract in the amount of \$100,000.

Motion by Councilmember Gray, seconded by Councilmember Maierhofer to adopt Resolution 17-2008 and authorize City Manager to execute the contract for matching funds for the Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant (LWCF). Motion passed (5 – 0).

9. 2008 SPLOST Projects Advance Funding

CM Coleman presented to the Mayor and Council for their consideration the schedule for General Obligation Sales Tax Bonds for series 2008 SPLOST. CM Coleman advised that the City of Carrollton has agreed to participate with Carroll County to issue bonds for advance funding of SPLOST projects. In addition, CM Coleman advised that the total amount of issued bonds shall not exceed \$45,000,000 and the City has agreed to accept responsibility for \$10,500,000, which is less than 50% of the City of Carrollton's anticipated revenue over the term of the new SPLOST.

Motion by Mayor Garner, seconded by Councilmember Gray to authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement with Carroll County to approve Advance Funding for 2008 SPLOST Projects. Motion passed (5 – 0).

10. Property Purchase – Benjamin Hobbs and Curtis Costley

Mayor Garner announced that this item has been withdrawn pending further investigation pertaining to wetlands of the property involved.

11. Water and Garbage – Base Rate Adjustments

ACM Grizzard presented to the Mayor and Council for their consideration a request to change the base rate for garbage and water bills and advised that the base rate for water in the City of Carrollton is currently \$5.53 and includes 3 units (2250 gallons) of water at no additional charge. This level of service from most systems would be approximately \$16.00 per month. In addition, ACM Grizzard explained that our residential and commercial basic garbage rate is now \$20.50, which is higher than most systems. ACM Grizzard advised that the garbage fund is doing very well and the water fund needs the excess to cover the cost of new proposed projects. Therefore, it is his recommendation that the basic garbage rate on a 60 gallon wheeled container drop by \$5.00 each and the base rate on water service increase by \$5.00. ACM Grizzard noted that this will be a zero change to the total City utility bill of anyone with a wheeled container (hobo). If approved, the new rates will be as follows:

Residential base garbage rate - old rate - \$20.50 new rate - \$15.50

Commercial wheeled container rate - old rate - \$39.00 new rate - \$34.00

Base water rate - old rate - \$5.53 new rate - \$10.53

Motion by Councilmember Maierhofer, seconded by Councilmember Gray to approve base rate adjustment to garbage and water bills as presented. Motion passed (5 – 0).

12. Planning Commission Appointment (1)

Motion by Councilmember Gray, seconded by Councilmember Maierhofer to appoint Mr. William Dees to a term on the Planning Commission to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Jud Hall. Motion passed (5 – 0).

VI. MAYOR AND COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilmember Balega requested that a Worksession be held to discuss construction projects prior to the next Mayor and City Council Meeting.

Councilmember Byrd thanked employees for their involvement with the recent Employee Picnic.

Councilmember Maierhofer thanked the Fire Department and 911 for their response to a call regarding her child who had a seizure.

Mayor Garner thanked staff and Tanner Medical Center for their involvement with the recent City Employee Health and Benefits Fair.

VII. CITY MANAGER ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

VIII. ADJOURN

There being no further business before the Mayor and Council, the meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.